IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: May 5, 2008

Mannal, et al Group Art Unit: 2616

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Title: CONTROLLOING DATA PACKET 3173 Cedar Road
FLOWS BY MANIPULATING DATA
PACKETS ACCORDING TO AN
ACTUAL MANIPULATION RATE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 6, 2008, Applicants submit the following:

Amendments to the claims as reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page $2 ; \$ and

Remarks which begin on page 8.